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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of Application No. 10/790,338, filed March 1, 2004 for: POLYMERIC NETWORK SYSTEM FOR MEDICAL DEVICES AND METHODS OF USE, by: Ajay K. Luthra and Shivpal S. Sandhu.

1.	Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114								
	a.		Previously submitted  [ ] Please enter in the present application the unentered Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, with any attachments, filed on in said prior application.						
			Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or reply Brief previously filed on						
			[ ] Other						
	ъ.	[X]	Enclosed  A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Claims added by this Amendment are properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered claim in the prior application.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  X 1 Other Amendment After Final						

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3. [X] The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account 50-3863 in the amount of \$395.00 (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to grant any extensions of time and to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required during the entire pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 50-3863.

Respectfully submitted,

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